GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:258
ANSWERED ON:31.07.2002
OPENING OF POST OFFICES IN NINTH PLAN .
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the targets set for opening new post offices during the Ninth Five Year Plan have been achieved;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the State-wise, targets fixed and achieved for the Ninth Five Year Plan?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI PR MAHAJAN)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT TO BE LAID ON THE TABLE OF LOK SABHA IN RESPECT OF PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 258 FOR 31ST JULY, 2002 REGARDING OPENING OF POST OFFICES IN NINTH PLAN.

(a) & (b): Against the target of 2500 Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices (EDBOs) and 250 Departmental Sub Post Offices (DSOs) during the Ninth Plan, 2154 EDBOs and 254 DSOs were opened. The targets for opening of EDBOs could not be fully achieved due to non-availability of requisite posts.

During the period of Ninth Plan, Department also set up 4677 Panchayat Sanchar Sewa Kendras (PSSKs) for provision of basic postal counter facilities in Gram Panchayat villages without a post office.

(c) The circle-wise targets and achievements during the Ninth Plan are given in Annexure.

CIRCLE-WISE BREAK UP OF TARGET AND POST OFFICES OPENED DURING 9TH FIVE YEAR PLAN

Sl. NO.		TARGET 1997-98		OPENE 1997-98		TARGET 1998-99 @		OPENE 1998-99		TARGET 1999-2000		OPENE 1999-2000		TARGET 2000-2001		OPENE 2000-2001		TARGET 2001-2002		OPENED 2001-2002	
	CIRCLES	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO	BO	SO
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	10	2	10	3	10	2	10	2	15	2	4	3	15	11	6	2	15	Ni	3	Nil
2	ASSAM	25	2	18	3	54	5	54	5	50	4	24	7	30	3	30	3	35	2	35	2
3	BIHAR	40	5	31	4	72	2	72	21	50	3	51	Ni	53	11	70	1	7	Ni	38	Nil
4	CHHATISGARH													25	1	25	1	25	1	25	1
5	DELHI	5	2	5	2	4	2	4	2	4	2	4	2	4	2	4	2	2	2	2	2
6	GUJARAT	25	2	18	3	31	2	31	2	30	3	28	2	20	3	8	4	20	2	18	2
7	HARYANA	15	2	13	2	13	3	13	3	15	2	12	1	15	1	2	1	2	1	Nil	1
8	HIMACHAL	10	2	41	Ni	7	1	7	1	7	1	2	1	71	1	2	1	5	Ni	5	Nil
9	J&K	15	1	11	1	23	1	23	1	15	1	14	1	51	1	5	1	13	Ni	13	Nil
10	JHARKHAND													22	1	Nil	1	15	1	Nil	1
11	KARNATAKA	30	5	24	5	12	4	12	4	21	3	21	3	21	2	21	2	20	2	13	2
12	KERALA	10	2	7	1	12	3	12	3	4	2	4	2	4	1	4	1	2	1	2	1
13	MADHYA PRADESH	37	2	41	2	50	5	50	5	40	4	40	4	15	3	15	3	21	3	21	3
14	MAHARASHTR	35	3	34	4	69	3	69	3	50	2	50	3	7	7	7	7	65	9	65	10
15	NORTH EAST	25	3	18	3	54	3	54	3	40	2	19	3	40	2	3	3	35	2	13	2
16	ORISSA	27	2	21	3	10	2	10	2	14	2	14	2	10	2	10	2	14	2	14	2
17	PUNJAB	17	2	12	2	12	2	12	2	10	1	9	1	14	3	12	2	6	8	6	8
18	RAJASTHAN	33	2	33	1	30	1	30	1	27	2	24	1	20	2	20	2	20	4	20	4
19	TAMIL NADU	21	2	21	3	10	2	10	2	15	2	15	2	15	2	15	2	5	2	5	2
20	UTTAR	70	6	57	6	82	3	82	3	50	3	10	21	44	1	45	Ni	40	2	38	2

PRADESH																							
21	UTTARANCHAL												6	Ni	6	1	25	1	15	1			
l																							
22	WEST	50	3	24	4	43	4	43	4	43	9	41	9	55	10	Nil	10	55	5	54	5		
BENGAL																							
23	TOTAL	500	50	402	528	59	508	59	50	500	50	386	49	500	50	363	52	500	50	405	51		

@ The target of 500 EDBOs (Extra Departmental Branch Post Offices)
for the year 1998-1999 was increase3d by 98, the shortfall of 97-98.
The target for 9th Plan was 2500 EDBOs and 250 Departmental Sub Offices (DSOs).